# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

#### **Jackson Division**

UPTON'S NATURALS CO.; and THE PLANT BASED FOODS ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

Civil Action No.: 19-cv-00462-HTW-LRA

PHIL BRYANT, in his official capacity as Mississippi Governor; and ANDY GIPSON, in his official capacity as Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce,

Defendants.

#### MOTION FOR EXEMPTION FROM PRO HAC VICE FEE

Pursuant to 83.1(d)(5) of the Local Uniform Civil Rules, and on behalf of *pro hac vice* counsel for Plaintiffs, Justin M. Pearson and Paul M. Sherman, undersigned counsel hereby requests an exemption from the application fee established by this Court. In support of this request, counsel states as follows:

- 1. Justin M. Pearson is an attorney employed by the Institute for Justice, 2 S. Biscayne Boulevard, Suite 3180, Miami, FL 33131.
- Paul M. Sherman is an attorney employed by the Institute for Justice, 901 N.
  Glebe Road, Suite 900, Arlington, VA 22203.
- 3. The Institute for Justice is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, public interest law firm that litigates civil cases nationwide and does not charge legal fees to their clients.

- 4. On July 1, 2019, Justin M. Pearson filed his Application for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* (Doc. #4) with the Court.
- 5. On July 1, 2019, Paul M. Sherman filed his Application for Admission *Pro Hac* Vice (Doc. #5) with the Court.
- 6. Both Applications neglected to include a specific request for an exemption from the filing fee established by L.U.CIV.R. 83.1(d)(5).

WHEREFORE, counsel respectfully requests that this Court grant this motion to exempt pro hac vice counsel, Justin M. Pearson and Paul M. Sherman, from submitting the required fee established by L.U.CIV.R. 83.1(d)(5).

Dated this 3rd day of July 2019.

## Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 3rd day of July 2019, a true and correct copy of this Motion for Exemption of *Pro Hac Vice* Fee was filed with the Clerk of the court and sent via U.S. Mail to the following Defendants:

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